

Ideas for the Future: Meeting 1

To date, approximately 425 community residents have participated in the idea gathering for Imagine Columbia's Future. They came together at one of two Big Idea Gathering Meetings, held at Stephens College and Rock Bridge High School, and shared their aspirations for the future of Columbia. They worked in small groups to brainstorm answers to the question: *What should be done to make Columbia the best that it can be in the future?* Participants' ideas were documented verbatim on flipchart paper by trained discussion leaders.

This document includes all of the 732 ideas generated at the first Big Idea Gathering Meeting of Imagine Columbia's Future held at Stephens College. Note that this is only a preliminary sampling of ideas. The ideas from the second BIG Meeting and the ideas collected from the online surveys and Fall Vision Festival Surveys are in the process of being encoded in the database.

ACP has conducted an initial review of the ideas and has sorted them into emerging topics. These emerging topics can serve as the basis for the topics around which the Groups will be organized. In addition, ACP sorted the ideas within each topic into sub-topics. These sub-topics help to better define the issues addressed within each of the topics and will help to guide the Citizen Topic Groups' deliberations. This document includes all 732 ideas from the first BIG Meeting sorted by topic and sub-topic.

Listed below are the topics and sub-topics. Note that once the additional ideas from the second BIG Meeting, as well as from the surveys and online forms, are encoded these proposed topics will be reviewed and validated.

At this stage, the threshold for the determination of topics was 25 or more related ideas. The number of ideas for each category is listed in parenthesis. In addition, the sub-topics are listed.

1. **Arts and Culture** (25): New Attractions, Support and Promote the Arts
2. **Community Character** (50): Beautification, Historic Preservation, Revitalization
3. **Community Facilities and Services** (32): Libraries, Public Safety, Law Enforcement
4. **Community Pride and Human Relations** (63): Diversity / Tolerance, Sense of Community, Youth, Seniors
5. **Development Patterns** (95): Planning for Growth, Infrastructure, Land Preservation, Neighborhoods, Redevelopment
6. **Downtown** (36): Housing, Investments, Mobility
7. **Economic Development** (86): Airport, Economic Development, Jobs and Job Training, Science and Technology
8. **Education** (58): Curriculum and Programs, Facilities (size/capacity), Resource Allocation, Quality Education
9. **Environment** (41): Environmental Quality, Energy, Reduce/Reduce/Recycle
10. **Governance / Decision-making** (58): Community Involvement, Government
11. **Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing** (66): Affordable Housing, Health, Poverty/Homelessness, Social Services
12. **Parks, Recreation, and Greenways** (25): Parks, Recreation
13. **Transportation** (89): Alternative, Public, Transportation (General)

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What should be done to make Columbia the best that it can be in the coming years?			
ID	Idea Text	Category 1	Category 2
42	Expand venues & access for cultural activities	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
48	Improved music scene	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
60	Our own Boone County metropolitan zoo	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
69	A science-center / magic house equivalent attraction for children and families	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
71	Establish a museum district within a walkable distance	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
154	Major black cultural center outside of the University system (expansion of cultural programs within the community)	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
166	Look to bring professional minor league teams and facilities	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
283	Satellite zoo to St. Louis or Brookfield / Chicago zoo	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
292	Have a signature museum of some sort	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
410	City needs professional live theatre company for grown-ups	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
425	Development of annual music / arts festival similar to the Bath International Festival	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
639	Professional cricket team	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
662	Develop more city wide and regional entertainment	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
715	Complete Missouri Theater renovations	Arts and Culture	New Attractions
105	Vibrant Arts Community	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
149	Make Columbia a national center for the Arts	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
291	Do more to encourage the arts	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
315	Continued support of arts	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
338	Support and promote the arts	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
421	Like Arts community to have a better understanding of how economic growth promotes cultural improvements	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
486	Promote arts	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
517	Interactive sculptures	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
559	Create an ongoing traditional artists apprenticeship program funded thru the city to pay masters of traditional arts to teach others their art or craft	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
648	Develop the art community and the art economic base	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
659	Market Columbia as a center for fine craft	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
699	Continue emphasis & accessibility to the arts in all forms	Arts and Culture	Support & Promote the Arts
11	Maintain attractiveness of Columbia through quality of development standards	Community Character	Beautification
82	More trees everywhere but particularly downtown	Community Character	Beautification
95	Beautification of Columbia. Rebuild / improve the "Blighted" areas	Community Character	Beautification
110	More ARC's and community gardens	Community Character	Beautification
112	Encourage gardens over lawns	Community Character	Beautification
115	Underground utilities	Community Character	Beautification
153	Underground electric utility lines along the Business Loop and Providence (aesthetics) and reliable electric	Community Character	Beautification
209	Improve the aesthetics of business loop so to give good first impression and reflect what our community represents	Community Character	Beautification
224	Plant more urban trees especially native species	Community Character	Beautification
225	Beautify West Broadway as an entrance to downtown	Community Character	Beautification
242	Go beyond the minimum to implement beauty, spaciousness and function instead of defaulting to efficiency in everything we do	Community Character	Beautification
266	Without a sign ordinance - beautify downtown with lighting, planters, brick sidewalks - perhaps based on 8th Street plan	Community Character	Beautification
280	Follow principles of universal design in all publicly owned buildings	Community Character	Beautification
314	A community easy to navigate	Community Character	Beautification
328	Edible landscaping	Community Character	Beautification
343	Better lighting of public space that is environmentally friendly	Community Character	Beautification
413	Regulate signs & banish billboards	Community Character	Beautification
428	All power lines are buried	Community Character	Beautification
429	More trees in developing areas. In particular aesthetics and distribution from the road	Community Character	Beautification
451	Trees provided evenly spaced to provide a tree canopy and shade for pedestrians to reduce the urban heat island effect	Community Character	Beautification
528	Consider universal design principles in building in construction	Community Character	Beautification
572	City beautification and maintaining nature within the city, control development of boxy style duplexes and strip malls (zoning should force us to preserve mature trees)	Community Character	Beautification

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573	Preserve the things that make Columbia attractive or develop more things (sports)	Community Character	Beautification
591	Extend beautification throughout the city	Community Character	Beautification
595	Architectural design review & control	Community Character	Beautification
710	Plant trees along Broadway	Community Character	Beautification
712	More fountains	Community Character	Beautification
721	More emphasis on aesthetics including more underground wires, nicer street lights & better zoning enforcement (no inappropriate porch furniture)	Community Character	Beautification
56	Preserve, enhance, protect historical buildings	Community Character	Historic Preservation
70	Maintain and redevelop historic areas and buildings	Community Character	Historic Preservation
137	Encourage or reward people for keeping up our historical buildings and landmarks	Community Character	Historic Preservation
182	Preserve our city's unique cultural & environmental assets	Community Character	Historic Preservation
289	Preserve old buildings	Community Character	Historic Preservation
350	Preserve & reuse historic buildings - architecturally Downtown	Community Character	Historic Preservation
548	Urban renewal: judicious use of tearing down old buildings to modernize	Community Character	Historic Preservation
594	Promote preservation of historic buildings and neighborhoods in central Columbia	Community Character	Historic Preservation
596	Preserve what we have now (e.g. 12 years ago)	Community Character	Historic Preservation
617	Historic preservation - (continue)	Community Character	Historic Preservation
695	Maintain Mid-Mo distinctive historical cultural and ecological character within the urban environment	Community Character	Historic Preservation
703	Complete the renovation of the Blind Boone home	Community Character	Historic Preservation
713	Protect historic Columbia (not just the downtown area)	Community Character	Historic Preservation
143	A plan to keep neighborhoods (i.e. low income) clean and safe	Community Character	Revitalization
163	Revitalize "tired" areas of town	Community Character	Revitalization
201	Rehabilitate our deteriorating neighborhoods so they are attractive to various income levels	Community Character	Revitalization
262	Kick slumlords out of the system and get good ones who keep up the property	Community Character	Revitalization
479	Invest / rehab existing housing in older and inner city neighborhoods	Community Character	Revitalization
622	1st ward - which homeowners take pride & act in neighborhood interest (safety)	Community Character	Revitalization
623	An atmosphere where everyone can prosper. Rejuvenating areas of neglect (areas with empty buildings, affordable housing)	Community Character	Revitalization
722	Better enforcement of existing protective inspection ordinances	Community Character	Revitalization
728	Institute procedures for dealing with abandoned buildings	Community Character	Revitalization
32	Police have respectful approach to people & help educate them	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
72	Make sure that we have enough law enforcement and public safety resources to keep the city safe	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
83	Law Enforcement / low crime	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
124	Crime prevention	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
170	A better accountability for our Columbia police department	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
260	Law enforcement - drunk drivers - confiscate the automobile if used in commission of a violation against the general public	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
363	Better enforcement of traffic laws	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
367	Increase police patrol	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
502	Increase police protection to the optimum per capital ratio	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
571	Stop shoplifters from shoplifting	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
583	Improve public safety (more police)	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
584	Stop alcoholics and drunk driving by having stiffer penalties	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
620	Citizen's review - to educate, the community on law enforcement issues (educational in nature)	Community Facilities & Services	Law Enforcement
28	A library with branches	Community Facilities & Services	Library

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122	Strong Support for libraries	Community Facilities & Services	Library
324	Branch libraries throughout the city	Community Facilities & Services	Library
512	Affordable community meeting halls or rooms throughout the city	Community Facilities & Services	Library
631	Resource centers around city for public use. Library system improved	Community Facilities & Services	Library
658	Create branch libraries	Community Facilities & Services	Library
690	Branch library	Community Facilities & Services	Library
21	Safety and security for all	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
47	Community is a safe place to be day & night in all locations	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
281	Be proactive in the fight against drugs	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
368	Not selling drugs on the corner	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
370	Get gang members off the street	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
382	Develop and encourage neighborhood watch programs	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
430	Promote safety	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
438	A real community policing program	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
444	Community addressing the offender re-entry process	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
484	Support or create cab companies or public transportation in off hours to reduce drunk drivers in town	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
535	Safety - we need to feel we are safe where we live	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
670	Do whatever it takes to allow every citizen to be able to live free from crime and abuse, both physical and mental	Community Facilities & Services	Public Safety
4	A Community where diversity is valued	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
104	Continue community's commitment to basic rights for all persons	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
148	Encourage and serve a diverse population	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
226	Establish a citywide domestic partnership registry	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
233	Increase opportunities for community interaction to improve race relations	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
306	Examine opportunities for immigrants to be integrated into the community outside of churches	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
316	Multicultural relations could be made better	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
349	Protect, encourage, support diversity	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
352	Develop strategies for respect & tolerance economically, racially, ethnically, etc.	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
375	Racial integration & education not only in schools but also for adults	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
377	Develop awareness and appreciation of other cultures perhaps by a citywide cultural fair	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
445	See continually running marketing program that celebrates the similarities of people	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
473	Intermingle generations	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
478	Encourage programs that highlight diversity of all Columbians EX: cultures, religions	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
524	Appreciation of all of life	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance

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546	Create a Welcoming Community for new Americans to get immigrants new to Columbia off to a great start in their new country	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
555	Create a more welcoming environment for LGBT citizens & their families (create a community center)	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
566	Figure out a way to not have such a divide between haves and have nots more diversity throughout the community (i.e.: black / white, young / old, wealthy / poor, religions, etc.	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
578	Overcome racial injustice / disparities	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
613	Civil rights in affect and enforced for all citizens	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
619	Community Forums - tolerance, racial relations / generational differences	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
667	Honor and respect diversity of income, lifestyles and heritage or residents	Community Pride and Relations	Diversity / Tolerance
75	Encourage the continuing development of a community that is desirable to the aging population	Community Pride and Relations	Seniors
169	Improve activities, socializing and housing for senior citizens	Community Pride and Relations	Seniors
185	Determine & develop our future that has a quality of place, a quality of life and a quality of care to meet our human and social needs as our nation & community grows into an aging population	Community Pride and Relations	Seniors
372	Develop an all inclusive senior community	Community Pride and Relations	Seniors
577	Create a senior friendly community with access to information, services, and opportunities for community involvement	Community Pride and Relations	Seniors
5	Develop a sense of community and maintain the sense of family togetherness	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
30	Promote a perpetual fund (benefactor - benefactee - pay back within the community)	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
50	Encourage neighborhood ownership	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
97	Build on our reputation as an education community	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
134	Create civic centers where youth and elders can unite for positive change of the city	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
156	Build on Strengths, specifically: strong public schools, safe neighborhoods, vibrant downtown, beautiful parks, and strong relationship with the University	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
183	Meet a lot of nice neighbors who would help you out; something to be together with other children, friends, church groups	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
235	Establish groups or clubs for residents such as walking groups	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
294	Provide opportunities for people to meet, cross paths and interact	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
310	Encourage an idea of giving to the community as part of living here. Monthly "Make a difference day".	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
344	One centralized community calendar	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
345	Stay true to this place	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
422	Create community foundation to assist non-profits with investments, endowments & grants	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
426	Strengthen smaller communities within the whole (i.e. neighborhood associations, school-based communities)	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
466	Supporting community media - radio, TV, print, library, internet - grassroots	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
471	Create systems of information that help international visitors & new residents to integrate more effectively	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
488	Better integrate the campuses with the cities	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
503	Put people before money	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
544	Encourage neighbors to get to know each other through exchanges in their own neighborhoods and with other neighborhoods	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
599	Establishment of a community foundation available to all aspects of the community	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community

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600	Bring the communities together	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
649	Create a city where everyone is welcome & feels welcome	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
681	Encourage cooperation and sharing among the higher education institutions and between them and the city	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
723	Public support for public access television	Community Pride and Relations	Sense of Community
17	Encourage participation in relevant youth programs	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
63	Develop activities for the teenage community	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
96	Mobilize the youth - youth inclusive (community)	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
265	Create a place for youth (specifically middle school & junior high kids) that all kids can afford with sufficient adult supervision	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
415	See more outlets & entertainment for youth (ages 4 through 16)	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
475	Provide opportunities for youth to not just observe but interact with nature	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
569	Activities that build citizenship in all of our youth	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
579	Low cost or free activities for school age children, activities for young adults that don't involve alcohol	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
580	Need something to occupy time for young adults to help toward future (mentoring)	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
627	More organized activity for youth to keep out of trouble (exercise, yoga) build self-esteem - especially the disadvantaged youth	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
628	Where 1st 6 years of a child's life is supported academically & socially	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
719	More teen centers	Community Pride and Relations	Youth
114	Pre-Planned infrastructure	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
125	Develop a growth strategy for infrastructure around planned commercial and industrial areas	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
141	Commit to concurrent development i.e. infrastructure and public works	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
152	Establish and maintain high standards for infrastructure, development	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
362	Higher infrastructure fees for developers	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
396	Build infrastructure before putting in major developments	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
434	Make sure infrastructure is well planned and planned prior to development	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
442	Have a greater contribution from the developing community for infrastructure to meet their needs	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
485	Be more proactive in developing city infrastructures Ex: roads, utilities, parks, and trails	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
541	Insist that developers pay a larger share of the cost of infrastructure (adjust ratio)	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
574	Plan major infrastructure improvements and put funding mechanisms in place	Development Patterns	Infrastructure
91	Preservation of natural areas and farmland for present & future generations	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
167	Protect the environment and maintain a healthy mix of green space as the city grows	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
210	Preserve green space and limit suburban sprawl	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
251	Acquire all the land for X feet (over 100 ft.) along streams & rivers for stream buffer, green space, wetland preservation & recreation	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
257	Preserve some of the areas around Columbia what have not been developed yet	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
295	Preserve quiet, green areas	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
327	Land disturbance ordinance	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
355	Stricter zoning & enforcement of land disturbance codes	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
380	To preserve the natural landscape including hills, valleys, streams and trees	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
500	Determine what are the most special places that are off limits for development	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
501	Protection and recovery of the natural environment	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
529	Maintain rural buffers between non-incorporated areas	Development Patterns	Land Preservation

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539	Preserve and restore natural areas; for outdoor activities, relaxation and renewal	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
550	Planning for the preservation and respect of green spaces, watersheds & eco-systems	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
552	Be proactive about providing critical habitat for rare, potentially-at-risk species through county-wide habitat conservation plans	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
656	Preserve green space in city and county including agriculture	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
671	Set aside large tracks of land surrounding the city for farm land and natural areas preservation	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
676	Preserve natural landscape and agricultural land and lifestyles in and around Columbia	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
679	Preserve urban waterways, Flat Branch, Linkson, Grindstone, etc.	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
701	Reserve a certain percentage of green space for every new development involving clearing of land	Development Patterns	Land Preservation
7	Develop interrelated communities/neighborhoods	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
67	Establish cluster neighborhoods with their own shopping, parks, restaurants, etc.	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
117	Commitment to neighborhoods	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
126	Encourage neighborhoods in a traditional sense	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
129	Promote shareable neighborhood spaces and modest living for all	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
165	Develop neighborhood -based community building efforts to combat growth-related problems	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
219	Walk able communities	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
245	Growth along "Transit Village" model. Combines living space, commercial, green space with strong transit infrastructure	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
246	Diversity of people mixed together so neighborhoods have diversity	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
326	Sustainable neighborhoods. JC Nichols model. Self-contained. Sustainable businesses.	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
337	Strategically placed shopping	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
400	See better access to goods & services for the central part of the city (from business loop to Broadway) specifically grocery store	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
401	See better integration of residential & commercial areas so that there is activity in residential areas more often	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
419	Make more stringent criteria for approval of new housing developments trying to integrate them into existing developments	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
446	Make commercial shopping areas attractive and long lasting	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
450	Convenient shopping locations for groceries and other daily needs	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
452	To better integrate commercial and residential areas in town to reduce the need for new and wider roads	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
461	Prevent sprawl by having planned communities prefer green / environ friendly	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
469	Build up a sense of neighborhood where people live, work & play with in walk able distance EX: Village of Cherry Hill	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
515	Accessible public transportation, shopping areas that are friendly atmosphere	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
589	Come to grips with density	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
597	Plan & control the growth of retail and business districts	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
598	Self sufficient neighborhoods that link together	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
608	Mixed use & mixed income neighborhoods	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
682	Encourage building patterns that are more dense than is currently the case and mixed use and discourage sprawl and auto dependency	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
711	Balance of small businesses with big boxes (no more Walmarts) & neighborhood stores	Development Patterns	Neighborhoods
9	Use foresight to control outward growth	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
22	Pay attention to intrinsic characteristics of the land as we develop	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
24	Design & plan growth with all aspects of the environment in mind	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
33	Control growth	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
53	Develop a comprehensive plan (with teeth)	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
106	Thoughtful & Comprehensive planning for all future development	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
127	Promote coordinated growth of schools and public facilities (libraries, parks, housing, etc.)	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
139	Prioritize stewardship of the environment by means of mass transit, renewable energy, and other forms of well-planned efficiency centered economic growth	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
157	Have a strong healthy, prosperous community, businesses, and natural environment. (comprehensive growth management planning to achieve that balance)	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth

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161	Stop the City's sprawl to encourage non-motorized transit	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
180	Careful planning of future growth & development with an eye towards what would attract them and keep them here rather than building housing	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
184	Improve planning and zoning, limit construction of unrented commercial space, slow housing construction & more accountability for builders	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
284	Encourage development close to city center	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
286	Develop creative ways to plan for growth	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
288	Develop a plan to stop landowners & developers from clear cutting prior to them submitting land use plans	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
296	To shape future growth around the needs of the community and not the pocketbooks of the developers	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
297	20 year Boone County land use plan with tools to make it happen	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
356	Plan changes and new development without destroying original character	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
358	Prevent individuals displaced for private gain	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
366	One central review office for building permits	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
441	See people build up rather than out	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
464	Create balance between growth and environment pleasing community	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
492	Better city home inspection process for new construction	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
590	Develop a realistic, achievable 20 year plan, publicize it widely and do it now	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
592	Better planning in terms of critical needs services, accessibility to art, entertainment and recreation	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
604	Halt development of strip malls until 20 year plan has been developed	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
616	Proactive neighborhood growth & development plan (to include a % of green space - 70%)	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
641	Overhauling zoning ordinances	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
677	Comprehensive planning process for transportation, housing, shopping, green space, etc.	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
704	Make the system more equitable for ordinary citizens to be able to oppose developers / professional landowners in the development / redevelopment process	Development Patterns	Planning for Growth
37	Encourage infill development	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
46	Improve & protect residential core	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
65	Provide ways to make re-development as attractive as new development financially	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
135	Resist sprawl and favor the land downtown which is already available	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
186	Find better ways to guide redevelopment within the city and raise the priority for replace or renovation of existing infrastructure	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
236	Prohibit new commercial and residential construction when vacant buildings are available	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
325	Recycle shopping centers that are sitting empty	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
456	Lower utility rates for people who live in already developed areas	Development Patterns	Redevelopment
229	Promote downtown housing	Downtown	Housing
247	More downtown apartments or other types of living space but still in a downtown setting	Downtown	Housing
305	A range of safe housing possibilities downtown close to amenities, for retirees	Downtown	Housing
342	Promote housing units in downtown area	Downtown	Housing
463	Encourage vibrant downtown with many more residents living within walking distance	Downtown	Housing
2	Vibrant downtown with locally owned businesses	Downtown	Investments
38	A vibrant downtown where people wish to live, shop & play	Downtown	Investments
132	Keep a vital downtown area	Downtown	Investments
194	Maintain / create a healthy vibrant downtown area	Downtown	Investments
258	Formalize task force including city, special business district, colleges & universities to develop major downtown attraction (arts, entertainment, sports, etc.)	Downtown	Investments
320	Green space and parks downtown	Downtown	Investments
348	Thriving & safe downtown	Downtown	Investments
354	Develop a downtown arts & cultural district	Downtown	Investments
397	Maintain a strong downtown	Downtown	Investments
437	A vibrant downtown	Downtown	Investments
440	Have an unbelievably cool hotel and convention center downtown	Downtown	Investments
447	Make downtown different from the rest of Columbia by limiting franchises and encouraging locally owned businesses	Downtown	Investments

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506	Major government and public services located in the central downtown area	Downtown	Investments
507	Revitalize downtown - make it a destination - close off 9th Street to cars	Downtown	Investments
509	Create a distinct downtown hotel that provides a social gathering place for residence and visitors	Downtown	Investments
551	Keep downtown Columbia economically vibrant	Downtown	Investments
587	Put plans / funding in place to revitalize our downtown make it more conducive for business and for people to live downtown	Downtown	Investments
652	Downtown alive and active	Downtown	Investments
669	Preserve downtown as a viable center	Downtown	Investments
674	Keep the core of the city from downtown fanning outward in a vibrant and well maintained condition	Downtown	Investments
708	Encourage vibrancy of downtown "the district"	Downtown	Investments
716	Refine the phrase "The District"	Downtown	Investments
267	Provide adequate parking downtown	Downtown	Mobility
276	Free parking downtown	Downtown	Mobility
318	More elevated parking structures in downtown	Downtown	Mobility
416	Pedestrianization of downtown area	Downtown	Mobility
490	Continue to support downtown celebrations I.E. first night & make downtown more accessible for pedestrians I.E. promenade & grocery store	Downtown	Mobility
516	Shuttles from downtown parking garage throughout downtown commercial area	Downtown	Mobility
588	Preserve human scale of downtown by having it pedestrian oriented, local small business friendly and mixed use of space. Garth, Ash, Stewart, Rogers - Bus loop, college	Downtown	Mobility
654	Pedestrian downtown car free	Downtown	Mobility
665	Pedestrian friendly downtown	Downtown	Mobility
79	More frequent commercial air service	Economic Development	Airport
87	Airport	Economic Development	Airport
176	Increase utilization of regional airport	Economic Development	Airport
179	Expanded runway / airport	Economic Development	Airport
254	Air service to another major hub other than St. Louis or Kansas City	Economic Development	Airport
307	Regional airport with more service and destinations	Economic Development	Airport
389	Maintain a strong airport	Economic Development	Airport
427	Build a better airport with service to market other than St. Louis and Kansas City	Economic Development	Airport
470	Viable airport - must improve service	Economic Development	Airport
497	Improve the airport: lengthen the runway	Economic Development	Airport
549	Airport that connects to hubs other than St. Louis / Kansas City	Economic Development	Airport
638	Improve airport services	Economic Development	Airport
697	Improve awareness & use of the airport	Economic Development	Airport
26	Promote things that are both fun & good for our economy	Economic Development	Economic Development
41	Promote a strong, healthy business climate	Economic Development	Economic Development
49	Improve farmer's market locations & increase the number of farms	Economic Development	Economic Development
51	Promote economic integration	Economic Development	Economic Development
54	Proper climate to encourage business	Economic Development	Economic Development
59	Encourage small businesses where we can have face to face encounters	Economic Development	Economic Development
66	Encourage the retention of and become a destination for young college graduates	Economic Development	Economic Development
76	Maintain the community as a smoke stack-free community; minimize heavy industry	Economic Development	Economic Development
84	Circulate dollars locally	Economic Development	Economic Development
136	Promote a business friendly climate in the city	Economic Development	Economic Development
138	Promote regional economic development for mid-Missouri	Economic Development	Economic Development
140	Encourage small, local business through rent control and the public financing of the rehabilitation of old buildings	Economic Development	Economic Development
142	Promote industrial business for higher paying jobs	Economic Development	Economic Development
158	Cultivate a business-friendly environment that provides good paying jobs and generates ample tax revenues for schools, roads, parks, and other community needs	Economic Development	Economic Development
191	Create a community receptive to all and to businesses that will flourish in a town-gown consortium	Economic Development	Economic Development

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196	Encourage events that promote tourism and bring outside money to Columbia	Economic Development	Economic Development
197	Develop the necessary information infrastructure that will provide diversity in our economic development that will enhance our community to attract business opportunities, innovation & targeted visitors, tourists, retirees, young professionals, etc.	Economic Development	Economic Development
198	Maintain a strong interest in all facets of the city's economic base	Economic Development	Economic Development
207	Focus on local ownership of businesses especially in the downtown area	Economic Development	Economic Development
239	Build a casino boat here without the water	Economic Development	Economic Development
244	stronger economic partnerships between the business community, government & universities / college	Economic Development	Economic Development
249	Identify process for economic growth & educate elected officials & public to benefits of economic growth - then implement a plan	Economic Development	Economic Development
255	Greater regional economic partnership between Columbia, Jeff City, the Lake & other central Missouri cities	Economic Development	Economic Development
273	Recognize that large scale retail is an acceptable form of development and important to our economy	Economic Development	Economic Development
298	Continue to focus on drawing in new businesses for economic development; like the discovery ridge plan	Economic Development	Economic Development
376	Put economic development resources into the central city neighborhoods	Economic Development	Economic Development
378	Implement aggressive business development program to bring businesses to Columbia	Economic Development	Economic Development
433	To provide loans to low income members to start their own businesses	Economic Development	Economic Development
480	Slow down on strip mall construction too many vacancies on existing ones	Economic Development	Economic Development
483	Permanent structure for farmers market to support local farmers / business	Economic Development	Economic Development
498	Land some type of major manufacture i.e. steel, coal	Economic Development	Economic Development
533	Small business incentives	Economic Development	Economic Development
536	We need to be a community that is growth and business friendly	Economic Development	Economic Development
561	Promote economic development through the use of government incentives to prosper and retain existing employers and attract new employers	Economic Development	Economic Development
570	Strengthen the climate for high growth companies (capital mentors, growing new business)	Economic Development	Economic Development
603	Spur development of critical mass in our existing industries	Economic Development	Economic Development
609	Create a part of town for small businesses - shopping. Free enterprise. Encourage small business development area	Economic Development	Economic Development
614	Improve attitude & support toward business - large & small	Economic Development	Economic Development
621	Attract new business: economic development, tax credits	Economic Development	Economic Development
700	Work on improving our economic engine	Economic Development	Economic Development
16	Diverse economy with meaningful jobs for all	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
86	Recruiting businesses that provide high wage jobs	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
108	Increase the number of decent jobs. So people in need can work out of poverty	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
159	Support economic development, to seek out targeted businesses, to increase the job base in the community	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
175	Encourage employer-supported work-at-home programs (improve quality of life, transportation, energy savings, and minimize effects of flu epidemic)	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
264	Create job opportunities at all levels, not just service & professional jobs	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
299	A positive attitude for cooperation for employment beyond government and healthcare. Create jobs outside of government and healthcare.	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
308	Help disadvantaged youth develop job skills and find meaningful employment	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
395	Give businesses tax incentives to provide ESL education for employees to make them more productive citizens	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
420	Like Business community to have a better understanding or greater concern for how cultural issues influence economic growth	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
500	Living wages	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
519	Give incentives to big business for bringing higher paying jobs to Columbia	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
692	Develop strong relationships between major employers and the school system career training programs	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training

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731	Good paying jobs for all Columbia's	Economic Development	Jobs and Job Training
61	Attract employers who provide high tech, well-paying jobs	Economic Development	Science and Technology
68	Encourage economic growth through an educated workforce and working to attract life science and high tech related industry	Economic Development	Science and Technology
92	Asset management of fiber optics to everywhere	Economic Development	Science and Technology
171	Leverage health sciences learning into private sector business and profitability	Economic Development	Science and Technology
174	Support the UMC as the economic engine for our community	Economic Development	Science and Technology
193	Support business start ups that result from University research so that Columbia can be on the cutting edge of technology	Economic Development	Science and Technology
202	Build international business connections that capitalize on the international research relationships built by MU: free trade zone?	Economic Development	Science and Technology
213	Establish a community wireless broadband network at low or no cost for users	Economic Development	Science and Technology
248	Encourage & control economic development by capitalizing on our reputation as a health center region	Economic Development	Science and Technology
379	Support the business incubation	Economic Development	Science and Technology
411	Build upon existing areas of strength in economy (i.e. education & medicine) to achieve national statue	Economic Development	Science and Technology
424	Improve employment opportunities in emerging industries	Economic Development	Science and Technology
449	Create a structure to entice high tech / research companies that become the backbone of our economy	Economic Development	Science and Technology
472	Develop and / or recruit businesses that are higher tech / higher pay	Economic Development	Science and Technology
563	Keep the Med Center and Med School and everything that is associated with them	Economic Development	Science and Technology
585	Columbia should build a filming industry and software development companies	Economic Development	Science and Technology
593	Promote economic development by capitalizing on our Midwest workforce and universities	Economic Development	Science and Technology
651	Encourage expansion of high tech employment in collaboration with M.U.	Economic Development	Science and Technology
727	Continue to expand fiber-optic network & provide public access to it	Economic Development	Science and Technology
20	More people to communicate between school & home	Education	Curriculum and Programs
55	Non school district education	Education	Curriculum and Programs
150	Develop programs and resources to complement all student's experiences with arts and athletic activities	Education	Curriculum and Programs
160	Integration of University into the community as a learning resource	Education	Curriculum and Programs
228	Quality after school programs with access for all in a state-of-the-art facility	Education	Curriculum and Programs
339	Community education sponsored seminars	Education	Curriculum and Programs
381	Develop more after school programs for kids	Education	Curriculum and Programs
481	Increase summer / after school & before school programs for youth	Education	Curriculum and Programs
489	Create transitional educational programs for non-academically inclined teens & young adults to help enter & succeed in workforce	Education	Curriculum and Programs
505	Challenging educational experiences and spiritual atmosphere	Education	Curriculum and Programs
525	More alternative educational strategies in the public schools like Ridgeway	Education	Curriculum and Programs
554	Expand the vision and the emphasis of the Columbia Public Schools Career Center	Education	Curriculum and Programs
672	Provide adequate constructive activities for kids after school - especially middle school / junior high	Education	Curriculum and Programs
687	Support neighborhood based schools with resources appropriate for optional and individualized learning and child development	Education	Curriculum and Programs
98	Two more high schools	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
146	Keep schools small	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
190	To build more schools that have adequate ventilation for the kids, elementary schools and smaller class size	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
212	Make smaller and more community (neighborhood) schools	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
272	More, smaller neighborhoods schools	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
309	Build small schools you can walk to, including high schools	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
336	Plan for development of new schools	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
403	Build an additional high school	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
462	Address classroom shortage in Columbia public schools - keeping education as high priority	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
488	Air condition all schools before building new	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
504	School facilities should be in the top 10% nationally	Education	Facilities - size / capacity

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523	Build enough new schools so we don't have to use trailers for classrooms	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
624	New high school - career center. Smaller high schools create community (no middle school). Reducing transitions of lads from school to school	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
626	Multitude uses of public school buildings with improved facilities city funding	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
657	Future school planning	Education	Facilities - size / capacity
3	Maintain excellent schools	Education	Quality Education
23	Quality Early Childhood Education with emphasis on brain development	Education	Quality Education
34	All children educated well regardless of socioeconomic level	Education	Quality Education
109	Maintain opportunities in Public School System	Education	Quality Education
131	Maintain quality public schools	Education	Quality Education
173	Significantly reduce the high school drop out rate	Education	Quality Education
204	Education is a top priority and should be part of visioning	Education	Quality Education
205	Improve K thru 12 education as a way to attract industry	Education	Quality Education
304	Strong educational system with a mix of private and public education	Education	Quality Education
393	Develop affordable flexible & quality educational opportunities	Education	Quality Education
431	To teach our children to be good citizens with the best education possible where no one is left out	Education	Quality Education
468	Work on solution to lessen achievement gap with in schools in Columbia	Education	Quality Education
520	Improve educational experiences and outcomes for all students K-20	Education	Quality Education
522	100% high school graduation rate	Education	Quality Education
538	Sustain high quality public education and close the achievement gaps	Education	Quality Education
542	Make schools more equal so that perceptions change so that people perceive them as more equal	Education	Quality Education
562	Providing our kids the best quality education	Education	Quality Education
633	Improve literacy	Education	Quality Education
653	Support our colleges	Education	Quality Education
666	Consistently good schools - equalize the have / have nots	Education	Quality Education
25	Programs for mothers, minorities to locate resources for continued education	Education	Resource allocation
64	Develop a plan for recruiting, hiring, & retaining the very best teachers available	Education	Resource allocation
274	More resources for quality early education programs	Education	Resource allocation
353	Equal resources for public schools	Education	Resource allocation
364	Better pay for public school teachers	Education	Resource allocation
465	Invest in early childhood education	Education	Resource allocation
693	Increase opportunities in the form of scholarships, grants for Columbia students to attend local universities and colleges	Education	Resource allocation
725	Reduce top-heavy administration in public schools & create transparency in the administration & school board; improve educational opportunities for all students	Education	Resource allocation
726	Continue to support, fund & encourage K-12 public education	Education	Resource allocation
43	Use green energy resources	Environment	Energy
99	Switch to clean, renewable energy - sun, wind, hydrogen (renewable)	Environment	Energy
145	Tax breaks or some incentive for developers to use environmentally safe or green products	Environment	Energy
172	Work towards a more sustainable community which would be a better use of our energy resources (e.g. green buildings, passive solar building)	Environment	Energy
206	Improve energy efficiency in every sector to reduce global warming gases and improve our environment	Environment	Energy
220	Increase reliance on renewable clean energy resources (wind & solar)	Environment	Energy
278	Increase use of non-carbon energy sources	Environment	Energy
302	100% renewable energy	Environment	Energy
317	Adopt architecture 2030 and require public buildings LEED Platinum	Environment	Energy
346	Green architecture	Environment	Energy
359	Environmentally friendly energy sources	Environment	Energy
391	Aggressive energy policy on all city / county buildings to set an example	Environment	Energy
409	Go beyond the current renewable energy target	Environment	Energy
491	Develop long term energy plan that best utilizes local resources & provides energy price stability	Environment	Energy
510	More use of renewable energy and environmentally friendly development	Environment	Energy

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547	Update energy-efficient building codes. Build showcase models of what smaller, energy-efficient housing could be	Environment	Energy
618	Buildings - energy efficient - Best management practices. Runoffs / solar energy / green roofs	Environment	Energy
675	Set standards in place to adopt green building practices in residential housing to promote greater sustainable living practices in our community	Environment	Energy
102	Clean water and waste	Environment	Environmental Quality
203	Fix the water drainage problem on streets including West side of Nelwood	Environment	Environmental Quality
211	Reduce pollution in all streams in the city and the county	Environment	Environmental Quality
268	Noise pollution - too many sirens	Environment	Environmental Quality
279	Pro-actively address storm water issues	Environment	Environmental Quality
334	Protect natural environment	Environment	Environmental Quality
457	Improve the control of storm water	Environment	Environmental Quality
586	Address pollution issues (i.e. planning for landfills, watershed)	Environment	Environmental Quality
612	Swim able, potable Hinkson & Grindstone creeks	Environment	Environmental Quality
646	Deal actively with global warming	Environment	Environmental Quality
689	Reduce the existing and future parking lot lighting spillover	Environment	Environmental Quality
10	Keep sustainability at the core of our plan	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
19	Teach water conservation	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
100	Improve recycling program	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
164	Analyze all municipal systems to assess their sustainability (ability to efficiently provide goods and services over the long run without undue damage to the environment)	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
227	Conservation of electricity and water resources "with teeth"	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
234	Improve and broaden recycling programs	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
237	Reinstate the can and bottle deposit law	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
285	Recycling bins next to all trash cans	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
331	Ecology and economy be part of education from kindergarten to graduate school	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
423	Create a better yard waste program	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
534	Help citizens become more sustainable & understand why they should; expand, rethink, redefine what "we" consider valuable, meaningful & enhancing to our lives. Reduce, reuse, recycle	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
537	Greater recycling effort	Environment	Reduce/Reuse/Recycle
6	People come together in unity to make decisions	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
73	Establish a permanent think tank of some of Columbia's brightest minds that is deliberately multi-cultural and multi-racial in nature to focus on significant issues facing our city	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
118	Civil public dialogue	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
151	Overall better communication with City leaders and residents	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
155	Be sincere about the inclusiveness of citizens	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
187	More outreach to involve more poor and minorities in all processes including political, educational & visioning	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
195	For our city government to encourage continued citizen involvement	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
269	Important for this process to cover all of Boone County	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
330	Citizen communication	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
347	Childcare at public events	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
384	Increase the number of citizens participating as voters at election time	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
392	Develop CATV3 so that everyone in the community as a voice	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
414	Maintain "Imagine Columbia's Future" until infinity	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
439	Formally integrate different community interest into the review and approval process for significant community projects both public and private	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
556	Better community "shout-outs" (getting the word out to the community): better communications. More meetings available	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
643	Promote wide spread citizen involvement	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
661	Citizen commissions to report to city council	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
678	Planning process that gives the voice to residents and neighborhoods	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
707	City council should seek timely & real input from citizen in decision making	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
720	Enforcement of the grassroots vision from this process	Governance/Decision Making	Community Involvement
13	City Council listen to Planning & Zoning Board	Governance/Decision Making	Government
57	Establish a Boone County metro form of government	Governance/Decision Making	Government
101	Pay City Council and Mayor	Governance/Decision Making	Government

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107	Transparency in government at all levels	Governance/Decision Making	Government
116	One half of one percent budgeted for green space and public projects.	Governance/Decision Making	Government
123	Annexation - Incorporating County Property to City	Governance/Decision Making	Government
128	Responsive & responsible representative City Government. Supporting free flow of accurate information. Committed to fostering satisfactory lives for all citizens	Governance/Decision Making	Government
168	Better, more formalized City-County cooperation	Governance/Decision Making	Government
178	The form of city government needs to be changed to adapt to the needs of the city at 90,000 rather than the city when it was founded in 1940's at 20,000	Governance/Decision Making	Government
181	Plan and support community services (for example schools, police, library, early childhood)	Governance/Decision Making	Government
218	Government oriented toward residents' interest instead of corporations, developers and special interests	Governance/Decision Making	Government
223	Tax money spent toward the majority of residents' interest (schools) instead of being spent toward special interests	Governance/Decision Making	Government
230	Consolidate city and county public service functions	Governance/Decision Making	Government
241	More council people in more wards for better representation	Governance/Decision Making	Government
243	Better public / private cooperation city government should not hinder quality growth	Governance/Decision Making	Government
270	Too much tax on utilities	Governance/Decision Making	Government
290	Regional 211 service	Governance/Decision Making	Government
312	Restructure city council with pay and increased wards	Governance/Decision Making	Government
371	Pay the city council	Governance/Decision Making	Government
373	Give boards and commissions some clout	Governance/Decision Making	Government
383	Level the playing field in all areas. Equal opportunity in all sectors & areas. All play by the same rules.	Governance/Decision Making	Government
394	Make city council & P & Z commission more balanced and fair	Governance/Decision Making	Government
399	Like to see mediation boards created to mediate disputes like tenants & landlords	Governance/Decision Making	Government
407	Improve way local elected officials interact with public and conduct formal meetings	Governance/Decision Making	Government
417	Better integration of city / county government and school government	Governance/Decision Making	Government
443	1965 city limits updated (library financing)	Governance/Decision Making	Government
494	All government bodies their meetings, reports, paperwork must be opened to the public in person on internet or on public television	Governance/Decision Making	Government
530	Find ways to widen or expand tax base	Governance/Decision Making	Government
531	More accountability to the public for public servants	Governance/Decision Making	Government
582	Local government that is more responsive to the needs/wants of the community (i.e. citizen review panel for CPD)	Governance/Decision Making	Government
602	City governance reform: expand, boards & commissions make policy, report to council, pay council members so we can have true representation	Governance/Decision Making	Government
611	Properly fund capital improvement plans of the city anticipatory of growth - instead of reactionary. Prioritize road development	Governance/Decision Making	Government
634	Responsive city council -not intimidated by law suits	Governance/Decision Making	Government
635	Increase # of city council members - extend the management system	Governance/Decision Making	Government
647	Increase size of city council	Governance/Decision Making	Government
650	Pay city council	Governance/Decision Making	Government
691	Increase cooperation with Boone County and neighboring counties and towns for the purpose of comprehensive planning	Governance/Decision Making	Government
714	Effectiveness & transparency in city government	Governance/Decision Making	Government
12	More / enough affordable housing	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
216	Promote affordable housing	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
259	Encourage affordable housing in Columbia	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
261	Help families to own and maintain their own homes	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
319	More affordable housing in our new developments	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
341	Preserve low income housing	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
387	Some sort of program to help access resources for home ownership and improvement for the poor	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing

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406	See development of residential areas that are affordable for groups like seniors	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
436	Mix of all price ranges of homes in a planned community that allows for a diverse income level and ethnic background	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
448	Provide more low cost housing for seniors, families and disabled	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
460	Require a certain % of new housing to be affordable	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
477	Create incentives for the development of affordable housing for families, seniors & persons with disabilities	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
527	More affordable housing	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
540	Make housing affordable for everyone	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
575	Affordable housing (broad spectrum housing)	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
683	Address the need for adequate affordable housing	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
705	Provide affordable decent housing for all	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing
15	Maintain / expand our healthcare system	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
27	AIDS education in the black community	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
162	Settle Boone Hospital Center governance to allow for growth and maintain quality of care	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
189	Ensure the health and safety of our most vulnerable citizens, i.e. children, aging, mentally ill, by providing better healthcare, oral health & mental health	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
329	Access to affordable health and mental health care	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
374	Strengthen our medical resources particularly for children, mental health needs and for expanding retirement population	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
405	See socialized medical system for residents of Columbia similar to that in San Francisco	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
558	Maintain & improve our public healthcare system	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
581	A system where every person has access to quality healthcare (dental care and support)	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
625	Availability of mental health / substance abuse treatment for all ages	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
684	Provide affordable healthcare	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
688	Address / educate / reduce Columbia's drug problem	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
696	Provide adequate, affordable, mental health & substance abuse services for all Columbia citizens	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
698	Provide adequate, affordable health services for all Columbia citizens	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Health
45	Eliminate the homeless & hungry	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
94	Decrease poverty in half in Columbia	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
113	More shelters and social services (women's, homeless, family)	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
147	Attend to the needs of the homeless	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
361	Recognize & accept homelessness & give services in a centralized area that blends into the community	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
365	More coordination of services for needy & public awareness	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
385	Develop strong & well funded community outreach programs for the impoverished	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
493	Develop solution for homeless problem	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
513	Everyone has the necessities of life	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness

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565	Reduce / Eliminate poverty	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
567	Social security payments should be divided into several portions throughout the month to relieve some of the burden - more beneficial if check were divided between 1st and latter parts of the month	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
568	Columbia should take on the challenge of having utilities be paid based on ability to pay (stop shutoffs, people getting sick, compromising health due to theses issues)	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Poverty / Homelessness
1	Youth awareness on drugs and alcohol	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
18	Resources for helping people in real need	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
31	Services for elderly people	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
80	A stronger, more aggressive educational outreach program for at-risk families	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
89	Addressing needs of the aging population	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
192	Create city trust funds for charitable giving to provide for all the ideas that have been mentioned / a charitable vehicle for giving to the city's / county's projects	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
200	Help seniors get their medicines (cost) & support services	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
263	More spaces for children to be safe in	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
300	Innovative options for child care and elder care	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
311	Single entry point for all social service and volunteer organizations	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
313	Increase communication between social service agencies and local business	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
321	Examine what services are available to allow people to age in place (in their own homes)	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
323	Provide education, employment and recreation opportunities for persons with cognitive disabilities post high school	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
333	Provide disadvantaged adults with training for life skills	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
386	Bring more diverse & innovative (creative) approaches to at risk kids	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
453	Develop a neighborhood medical watch for the elderly or disabled	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
508	Major overhaul of social services, particularly agencies that serve families with children	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
553	Ensure that we have facilities and services to enhance the lives of senior citizens	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
629	Daycare available for hours parents work	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
632	Plan for aging population - healthcare, generational, housing, transportation, insurance - fully utilizes talents & time of its senior citizens	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
640	Supporting the disadvantaged social service agencies	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
644	More community involvement in child and senior care	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
680	Provide safe community accessible affordable childcare	Health, Social Services, and Affordable Housing	Social Services
36	Maintain, preserve & enhance greenways	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
78	Plan for green space and other undeveloped areas	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
103	Inner-connected trail system	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
111	More parks	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
119	Develop remainder of ARC Property into dynamic, public space	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks

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252	Preserve natural areas and parks within developments, connected by trails, if possible	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
253	Tear down parking garage at 7th & Walnut and create a public square between city & county buildings	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
271	More dog-friendly play areas	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
282	More green space in central city neighborhoods	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
322	Interconnect the trail system in the city	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
418	Expand our parks & playgrounds in areas of the city where low income children & families reside	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
435	Set aside % of land in new developments for park and trails to connect with other existing trails	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
474	Continue acquisition of new parkland, bike & nature trails as new areas are developed	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
495	Plenty of green space, safe exercise, intergenerational, interdependent	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
543	Create a dog park	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
630	Recreational outlets for all areas of city (better trails, parks, ice arena, baseball stadium, etc.)	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
706	Connect the trail system to encircle central city & connect trails to all parks	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
718	Continue to develop & enhance our park system	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Parks
52	Adult recreation	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Recreation
133	Plan growth for maintaining outdoor recreation	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Recreation
238	Increase public accessible athletic facilities	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Recreation
398	A city with ample recreational opportunities for its citizens ... lit or indoor basketball courts	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Recreation
526	Build more community fire places like Stephen's Lake Park	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Recreation
717	Continue to provide areas for organized sports for all ages	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Recreation
729	Decentralized health clubs (around town)	Parks, Recreation, and Greenways	Recreation
35	Better road planning	Transportation	Advance planning and development
58	Improve transportation system (e.g. by completing the CATSO plan, and by building the roadways while or before development occurs)	Transportation	Advance planning and development
240	Master street planning	Transportation	Advance planning and development
303	Spend proactive resources on the city's infrastructure. Planned roads in advance.	Transportation	Advance planning and development
404	See improvement in roads - anticipate the growth rather than respond to it	Transportation	Advance planning and development
412	Expand transportation	Transportation	Advance planning and development
458	Key arterial streets built ahead of development	Transportation	Advance planning and development
514	Integrated road plan not dependent on 63 or 70	Transportation	Advance planning and development
606	Pro-active toward development of roads instead of reactive	Transportation	Advance planning and development
645	Future growth in traffic ways	Transportation	Advance planning and development
702	Forestalling need at the public expense with development of the I-70 corridor by a development moratorium of the corridor	Transportation	Advance planning and development
39	More transportation infrastructure (roads etc)	Transportation	Road network
144	Commit to keeping Broadway single lane between Garth and West Boulevard	Transportation	Road network
177	Better system to get thru traffic through Columbia (I-70)	Transportation	Road network

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215	Better roads that are consistently designed and landscaped throughout the community	Transportation	Road network
287	County wide TDD to earmark funds for roads	Transportation	Road network
293	Scenic highways - cars only - no billboards	Transportation	Road network
360	Make a reversible 3 lane Broadway without widening	Transportation	Road network
459	I-70 to go north or south of the city	Transportation	Road network
467	More & better parking	Transportation	Road network
482	Promote a transportation system that can be used to get people from homes to work (professional, retail & industrial) to shopping & entertainment. Also encourage pedestrian & bike traffic	Transportation	Road network
496	Good traffic arteries	Transportation	Road network
532	Widen Scott Blvd	Transportation	Road network
636	2 year experiment - 2 lane "in" / "out of downtown Columbia - on Broadway - TRY!	Transportation	Road network
664	Reroute major East / West thoroughfares (i.e. Broadway)	Transportation	Road network
685	Master plan for East - West / and North - South traffic flow	Transportation	Road network
88	Safer roads	Transportation	Traffic Control
188	More stops / traffic control on busiest streets and more city street lights	Transportation	Traffic Control
199	Ease traffic congestion through road planning and zoning that discourages clustering of businesses	Transportation	Traffic Control
208	Increase the use of roundabouts on arterial and feeder streets to improve pedestrian safety	Transportation	Traffic Control
232	Stoplights on Scott Blvd	Transportation	Traffic Control
332	Encourage reduced use of single occupancy autos	Transportation	Traffic Control
476	Create & improve streets for ease of transportation	Transportation	Traffic Control
518	Close off 9th Street from Elm to Walnut to car traffic during Twilight Festival	Transportation	Traffic Control
557	More efficient road system	Transportation	Traffic Control
560	Resolve traffic issues (specifically I-70) and stadium and all routes that handle a lot of traffic	Transportation	Traffic Control
607	Make attempts to restructure auto traffic into downtown - restore brick schools	Transportation	Traffic Control
390	A city without need for automobiles because of strong public transit and trail systems	Transportation	
432	An environmentally friendly and futuristic system which would take most of the cars off the road	Transportation	
642	Develop multi-modal transportation	Transportation	
14	Better interconnected network of sidewalks, bike trails etc. Walk across intersections	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
40	Comprehensive bicycle & pedestrian transportation system	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
44	Plan development to reduce the need for cars	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
77	Wide and well-marked bike lanes everywhere for bikes and scooters	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
81	Better crosswalks & crosswalk lights at every corner	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
85	More bike paths	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
121	Providence & Business Loop overpass (pedestrian walkway)	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
130	A complete separation of all pedestrian and auto traffic	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
221	Bike lanes every where people want them	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
231	Bike racks at edges of public transportation routes	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
335	Develop non-motorized infrastructure	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
351	Network of non-motorized natural bike trails	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
511	Build on PedNet's success encouraging people to bike and walk rather than drive	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
576	In all developments, connect new paths to those that are already developed (have an idea about how to connect them)	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
610	Vibrant downtown - pedestrian only streets	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
637	Walk able communities - like Cherry Hill	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
660	Free bikes and more bike racks	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
663	More citywide pedways	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
668	More sidewalks, pedestrian friendly environment	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
694	Increase self propelled transportation roadways specifically for bicycles and running	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
724	Add safe sidewalks & pedways everywhere	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike
730	Increased focus on alleyways for walking in neighborhoods & bazaars downtown in alleyways	Transportation - Alternative	Pedestrian/Bike

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250	Colt railroad, light rail service to Hallsville, Centralia, etc to facilitate use by school districts, seniors & commuters along Route B corridor with spur line to Fairgrounds	Transportation - Public	Intercity
256	Bus rapid transit from Columbia / Jeff City via Columbia Regional Airport	Transportation - Public	Intercity
340	Intercity transportation	Transportation - Public	Intercity
357	Public transportation by rail	Transportation - Public	Intercity
402	See improved air service & bus service (city to city)	Transportation - Public	Intercity
455	Inter urban electric trains or light rail between Columbia and near by cities	Transportation - Public	Intercity
8	Provide a public transportation system that is efficient & that people will want to use	Transportation - Public	Local Service
62	Urge development of a public transportation system with frequent bus service to all areas of the city that is safe & clean	Transportation - Public	Local Service
74	Make public transportation sites landmarks, (architectural or artistic features), not just a sign on the road	Transportation - Public	Local Service
90	Attractive public transportation	Transportation - Public	Local Service
214	Clean public transportation to reduce congestion and pollution by using alternative fuels	Transportation - Public	Local Service
217	User friendly public transportation	Transportation - Public	Local Service
222	Improve public transportation access & focus on senior citizens	Transportation - Public	Local Service
275	More frequent expanded public transit	Transportation - Public	Local Service
277	Bringing back the double-decker bus	Transportation - Public	Local Service
301	Bus routes - more inclusive of the town's needs	Transportation - Public	Local Service
388	Begin plans for a mass transit system	Transportation - Public	Local Service
408	Improve public transportation within the city	Transportation - Public	Local Service
454	Expanded bus service for more hours and more extended routes	Transportation - Public	Local Service
545	A viable, usable public transportation system	Transportation - Public	Local Service
564	Easily accessible public transportation available to all neighborhoods	Transportation - Public	Local Service
601	Expand bus service to 24 hours	Transportation - Public	Local Service
615	Reliable transportation throughout the city (a grid bus system - not radial)	Transportation - Public	Local Service
655	Develop a streetcar system based on mixed use	Transportation - Public	Local Service
673	Provide public transportation system that covers Columbia and that operates 7 days a week from 5 a.m. - 12 a.m. (midnight) at least	Transportation - Public	Local Service
686	Provide a cleaner public transportation resource to connect students to campuses and others to jobs in large scale occupations, i.e. hospitals, schools and factories	Transportation - Public	Local Service
709	Enhance public transportation	Transportation - Public	Local Service
29	Repeal the NCLB act		
93	Universal access		
120	No more T.D.D.s		
369	Quit fighting with our people		
521	Use newer more appropriate strategies and techniques to address transportation, rural open space, and arts development		
605	Columbia become more united when going to Jeff City		